

CONGRESSMAN BOBBY JINDAL  
2007-2008 Application for Nomination to a U.S. Service Academy  
Personal Questionnaire

**Please complete this in your own handwriting. These questions, along with the information on your application, will be used to judge your strengths, character, and personal commitment. You may use a separate sheet, if necessary, but try to make your answers concise.**

- 1) When did you develop an interest in attending a service academy?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 2) Why do you want to attend a military academy instead of a traditional university?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 3) What have you done to prepare yourself for study at a service academy?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 4) Do you understand that, if selected, you must commit to a minimum of five years in military service after you graduate? Do you plan to make the military your career choice?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 5) Do you believe that you can abide by an Honor Code? ("We will not lie, steal, or cheat, not tolerate those among us who do.") How do you feel about the part of the code that would require you to report violations that you see or hear about?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 6) Briefly describe an experience that best demonstrated your leadership capabilities.

7) What extracurricular and athletic activities have you participated in, and how have they prepared you for a service academy?

8) Describe your physical fitness program.

9) What is the biggest disappointment or obstacle you have encountered in life? How did you handle the situation?

10) In one brief essay (no more than 250 words) please answer the following questions: What makes you stand out among the other candidates? What experiences have you had that show you would make a good officer in the United States Military?